




Report to the Auburn City Council

Action Item
Agenda Item No. **10**


City Manager Approval

To: Mayor and City Council Members
From: John Ruffcorn, Chief of Police
Date: April 14, 2014
Subject: Amgen Tour of California

The Issue

This is an overview of the City's efforts as a pass-through city for the Amgen Tour of California (ATOC).

Conclusion and Recommendation

This report is for informational purposes only.

History / Background

The Amgen Tour of California is a Tour de France-style cycling road race created and presented by AEG that challenges the world's top professional cycling teams to compete along a demanding course that traverses hundreds of miles of California's iconic highways, byways, and coastlines each spring. The teams chosen to participate have included Olympic medalists, Tour de France contenders, and World Champions.

Schedule and route for the 2014 Amgen Tour of California:

- Stage 1: Sunday, May 11 – Sacramento
- Stage 2: Monday, May 12 – Folsom (individual time trial)
- Stage 3: Tuesday, May 13 – San Jose to Mount Diablo
- Stage 4: Wednesday, May 14 – Monterey to Cambria
- Stage 5: Thursday, May 15 – Pismo Beach to Santa Barbara
- Stage 6: Friday, May 16 – Santa Clarita to Mountain High
- Stage 7: Saturday, May 17 – Santa Clarita to Pasadena
- Stage 8: Sunday, May 18 – Thousand Oaks (circuit race)

This is the third time Auburn has been a part of the ATOC. In 2010, we were a pass-through city, and in 2011, we hosted a stage-start. The efforts that our community and our city staff made during both of these stages has endeared us to the ATOC and has set the stage for us to again be a pass-through city in 2014.

The 2014 Amgen Tour of California will begin and finish at the steps of the State Capital on L Street. As the route heads north out of the city, it will hug the east bank of the Sacramento River. After passing through Pleasant Grove and a Sprint in Lincoln, the racers will head into one of the race's favorite towns...Auburn. Here the race will contest the second sprint of Stage 1 right in front of Victory Velo. This sprint location should assure Auburn a television spot on the national broadcast. After a fast decent to the American River, the peloton will be confronted with a difficult climb up Hwy 49 and the third Sprint of the day in the town of Cool.

The riders then head south and west for a fast and flat run back into Sacramento. Once the race passes back through the start/finish line and what is sure to be a large and loud crowd, the race leaders will see three laps to go. The circuit finish in Sacramento has delivered some of the most thrilling finishes in the race's history. This year will be no different. The winner of this stage will be on his own in the defense of the yellow jersey at the time trial on Stage 2 to be held in Folsom.¹

The majority of security for the course in Auburn will be done by volunteers. There will be a few locations on the course that will be secured with law enforcement personnel, but overtime will be kept at a minimum by changing schedules. We have already started our volunteer recruitment and expect to have over 100 people helping us secure the route.

Unlike previous years, there will not be a planned festival highlighting the race. However, I have been told that there will be a few private celebrations in the downtown area.

Alternatives Available to Council

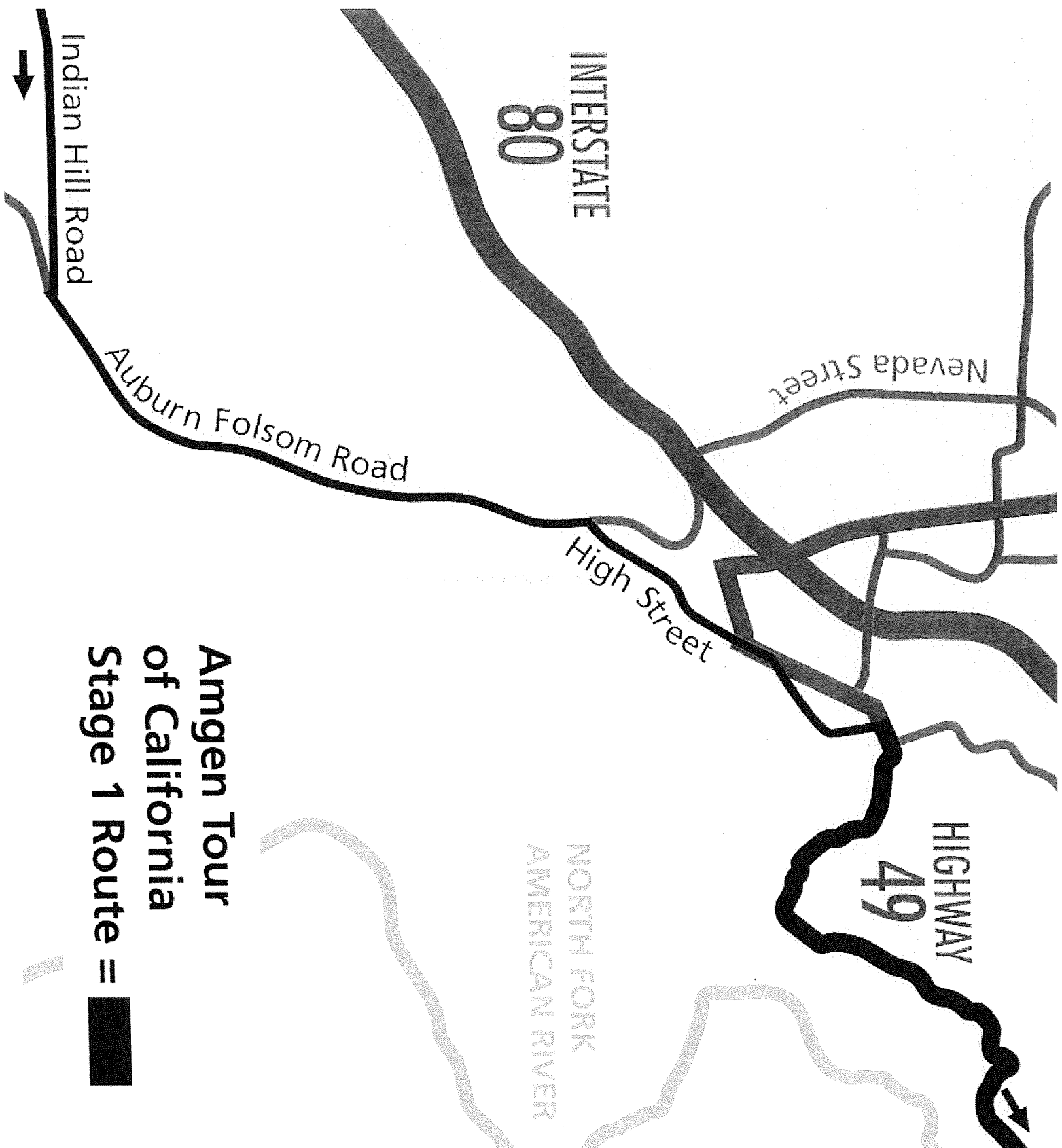
This is just for information only. No action is required; however, direction can be incorporated into ongoing efforts.

Fiscal Impacts

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| Overtime for Public Works Department | <\$500 |
| Overtime for Fire Department | <\$800 |
| Overtime for Police Department | <\$500 |

Attachments

Map of the route through the City of Auburn



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